

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE GOVERNMENT FOR FAST TRACK COURTS

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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether in view of continuous increase in number of cases in Uttar Pradesh, the Union Government have released financial assistance to the State Government in the current financial year for constituting fast track courts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government are getting information that several State Governments are indifferent towards constituting fast track courts;
- (d) whether in the absence of proper administrative resources and non-utilisation of funds released by the Union Government, the target of early disposal of cases is not being achieved; and
- (e) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. JANA KRISHNAMURTHI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) So far, an amount of Rs.28.24 crore has been released to Uttar Pradesh by the Union Government under the Fast Track Court Scheme.

(c),(d) & (e) The Supreme Court in its judgement dated 6th May, 2002 in the case of Brij Mohan Lal Vs. Union of India & Others has given directions on implementation of the Fast Track Court Scheme. Minister of Law and Justice has been periodically requesting State Governments to establish the full number of Fast Track Courts as envisaged by the Eleventh Finance Commission. In the recently held Conference of Law / Home Secretaries of State Governments/Union Territories, the State Governments were requested to constitute all the earmarked Fast Track Courts and make them functional so that targets of disposal of cases by the Fast Track Courts are achieved.